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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

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VIEWS AND NEWS BY HAVAS

PARIS, July 23.
A determined effort was made in the Chamber of Deputies to upset the Clemenceau cabinet but it failed utterly, the government obtaining a vote of confidence by 289 votes to 176, after a stirring speech by M. Clemenceau on general policy. He stated that on the day following the ratification of peace a Bill will be presented providing for speedy general elections to the senate as well as to the Chamber, also to municipal and departmental councils.

A strong possibility prevails that China will sign the German treaty in return for which the Japanese peace mission in Paris will make public the oral agreement made at the time of the Chinese settlement announcing the date upon which Japan agreed to restore Chinese political right in the Shantung peninsula. China has already made known her decision to sign the Austrian treaty. The Press Bureau says the Japanese peace delegation contradicts the statement that the decision on depended the settlement of the Japanese amendment to the covenant of the League of Nations regarding racial equality. Discussion on the racial clause had practically closed in April, long before the Kiaochow question came before the Council of Four.

President Poincare and Marshal Foch received a tremendous welcome at Brussels. France was acclaimed, and the Marseillaise sung by members of the Chamber of Deputies.

MOMENTOUS LABOUR CONFERENCE.

THE CRISIS AT HOME.

LONDON, July 23.
Momentous meetings of the executives of the "Triple Alliance" of miners, railwaymen, transport-workers, and the miners' federation have been fixed to take place in London to-day, to decide on further action. Mr. Smillie and other leaders have arrived in London. It is expected that the miners' executive will meet Mr. Lloyd George to-morrow. Meanwhile the deadlock at the minefields continues. Roughly speaking, a quarter of all the miners of the country are idle. The peril of the Yorkshire mines has increased owing to an accumulation of gas due to the failure of ventilation. Precautions are being taken to prevent explosions. Six mines are already flooded out. Naval pumps are working at three collieries. Hotheds threatened to retaliate by withdrawing pumps from the public services. The paralysation of industries is spreading. A hundred trawlers are detained at Grimsby. The Government is issuing a warning to the Midlands to curtail consumption of gas and electricity. Water local authorities are advised to prepare schemes for the conservation of their resources.

POLITICAL PRESSURE.

LONDON, July 23.
At the conference of the triple alliance Mr. Smillie presided. There were 300 delegates present. They passed a resolution by 217 votes to 11, recommending its constituent bodies to ascertain whether the members were prepared to take industrial action to enforce their demands, namely for the abolition of conscription, for the discontinuance of military intervention in Russia, also in trade disputes, for Britain to stop the blockade, and for the release of the conscientious objectors.

The Triple Alliance conference rejected by 144 votes to 84 a motion by Ben Tillett in favour of public proceedings.

LAW OF THE AIR.

IMPRACTICABLE DECISIONS.

LONDON, July 23.
The international flying constitution drafted at Paris recognises every State's complete and exclusive sovereignty of the air space above its territory and territorial waters. It accords during peace free air passage irrespective of nationality, except over prescribed military areas. It provides for the institution of an international air navigation commission, with two representatives each of Britain, the United States, France, Italy, and Japan. Also each for the Dominions, India and the smaller states.

FRENCH GOVERNMENT RE-ESTABLISHED.

PARIS, July 22.
There was a "fullness" economic debate in the Chamber. After a powerful defence by M. Clemenceau, a vote of confidence in the Government was passed by 289 votes to 176, thus reversing the vote of July 16.

AFGHAN CHIEF.

DELEGATE LIKENS BRITISH TO GERMANS.

SIMLA, July 27.
Reuter's special correspondent at Rawalpindi reports that after Grant's address at the peace conference yesterday, Ali Ahmad, the president of the Afghan delegation, in the course of his speech urged forbearance on both sides. He denied that the Afghans were the first who sought peace. He admitted that the British were superior in war material and manpower. He pointed out that the Germans held a similar position in the European war. The Afghans were not a sleepy, ignorant people. They had been roused to fresh aspirations like other nations by the European war. He warned them that Afghanistan was a safe barrier against Bolshevism in India. If the war were renewed and the British won, India would be flooded with Bolshevism. It could only be checked by a just and honourable peace.

The conference is sitting in camera. The Afghans proving obstinate and unreasonable, it soon dissolved. Grant addressed the Afghan delegates in strong terms, stating that the British government would be amply justified in continuing the war till the Amir surrendered unconditionally. The Government was not prepared to consider counter claims or demands. The Afghans had flagrantly disregarded the armistice terms and British patience was not inexhaustible. If the war were renewed, the terms would be very different.

The delegates listened without a murmur, but their demeanour was hard and unsmiling.

NECROLOG.

LONDON, July 23.
Sir E. H. Holden late Walsall M.P. and Mayor, has died at the age of 88.

STRIKERS.

LONDON, July 23.
The Monmouthshire miners (10,000) have resumed work but a further 10,000 Mansfield miners have struck. Contrary to the advice of their president, the Notts miners' association passed a resolution in favour of continuing the strike as long as the Yorkshire miners are out.

STRIKE BREAKERS NOT MOLESTED.

Naval men have begun pumping out the Yorkshire pits without interference.

In the House of Commons Mr. B. Law stated that six Yorkshire mines were flooded and 17 endangered. 158 naval men were employed without interference. A few pits had stopped in Derbyshire where the strike was spreading. There was no change in Lancashire or in Notts. A resolution was passed by the South Wales miners in favour of remaining at work pending the negotiations with the Government but a considerable number were still on strike.

The Premier and Mr. Law are to confer with the miners' executive on July 24.

The railway executive announces that the miners' strike may necessitate a considerable reduction of the passenger train service immediately.

Sir Eric Geddes has telegraphed to the municipal authorities of Yorkshire, Lancashire, Notts and Derby, urging the absolute necessity of economising coal.

RUBBING IT IN.

In the Paris Chamber, M. Louchet, the Minister for Reconstruction, stated that as British coal now cost France 135 francs a ton, France had turned to America where it was able to buy coal more cheaply.

EMANCIPATION OF WOMEN.

RESERVATIONS EVEN YET.

LONDON, July 23.
In the House of Lords, the Government Bill removing the disqualification for women for admission to the professions, judicial and other appointments previously barred, (except the Civil Service) was introduced and read a second time. The debate indicated that many peers desire that all women who are peers in their own right should sit in the Lords.

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LONDON, July 23.
In the House of Commons at question time Major Amery stated that considerable information had already been collected and steps were being taken to obtain further reports of the natural resources and commercial prospects in the new British territories. South West Africa had been brought within the area of His Majesty's Trade Commissioner for South Africa and East Africa would be specially investigated by the Trade Commissioner for British East Africa. His Majesty's Trade Commissioner for New Zealand had already reported upon Samoa. Steps were being taken to obtain information with regard to openings for British trade in other territories. He understood that the mandate for territories not directly under the Dominions would be based on complete international equality therein.

A BYE-ELECTION.

LONDON, July 23.
The bye-election for Swansea (East) resulted as follows:
Matthews (Coalition Liberal) 9250.
D. Williams (Labour) 6158.
The vacancy was due to the death of T. J. Williams, Coalition Liberal.

OUR INTERVENTION IN RUSSIA.

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LONDON, July 23.
In the House of Commons at question time, Mr. Loxton stated that the British warships were being kept in the Baltic only in order to prevent unprovoked Bolshevik raids on the coast towns of the Baltic states and Finland, to prevent interference with the feeding of the population, and to prevent the spread of Bolshevik militarism. He was satisfied that our forces were sufficient. A British naval force had been operating in the Caspian since August 1918 against many Bolshevik armed merchantmen, destroyers, and submarines. The operations would be concluded and our personnel withdrawn before winter.

AFGHAN PEACE CONFERENCE.

SIMLA, July 22.
The Amir has submitted the names of ten prominent officials who will represent Afghanistan at the peace negotiations. The British delegation leaves to-morrow for Rawalpindi to meet the Afghans. A satisfactory settlement is considered probable.

THE SILVER MARKET.

LONDON, July 25.
Silver is quoted 55 1/16-54 3/4. The market is steady.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

THE SHANGHAI CONFERENCE.

SHANGHAI, July 27.
A settlement having been reached in regard to the Shanghai conference, the South has appointed the same chief delegate, Tong Shao-yi. The Peking Government requested Chu Kai-lum to accept the office of chief delegate, but he has refused.

LUK WING-TING'S CONCESSIONS.

Luk Wing-ting, Governor-General of Kwangtung and Kwangsi, has telegraphed to the Peking Government asking it to send delegates to Shanghai at once, as he is willing to make certain concessions.

ITALY FORGOES HER CLAIM?

Acting on the advice of the other Powers, Italy is willing to forgo her claim to the Austrian Concession at Tientsin.

TROOPS MUST BE TRAINED TO PROTECT THE COUNTRY.

Ng Pui-fu, the commander of the garrison in Hupsh Province, has telegraphed to the different Provinces stating that on account of the difficulty of solving the diplomatic question, there should be no civil war between the North and the South. Arrangements should be made to have the South-West troops withdrawn, as soldiers must now be trained to protect the country. The Hongkong Chinese Commercial News.

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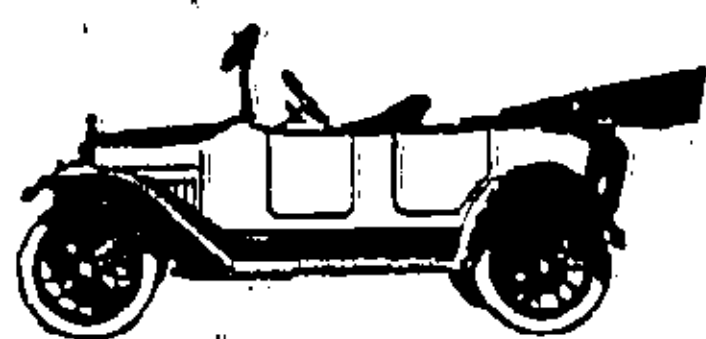
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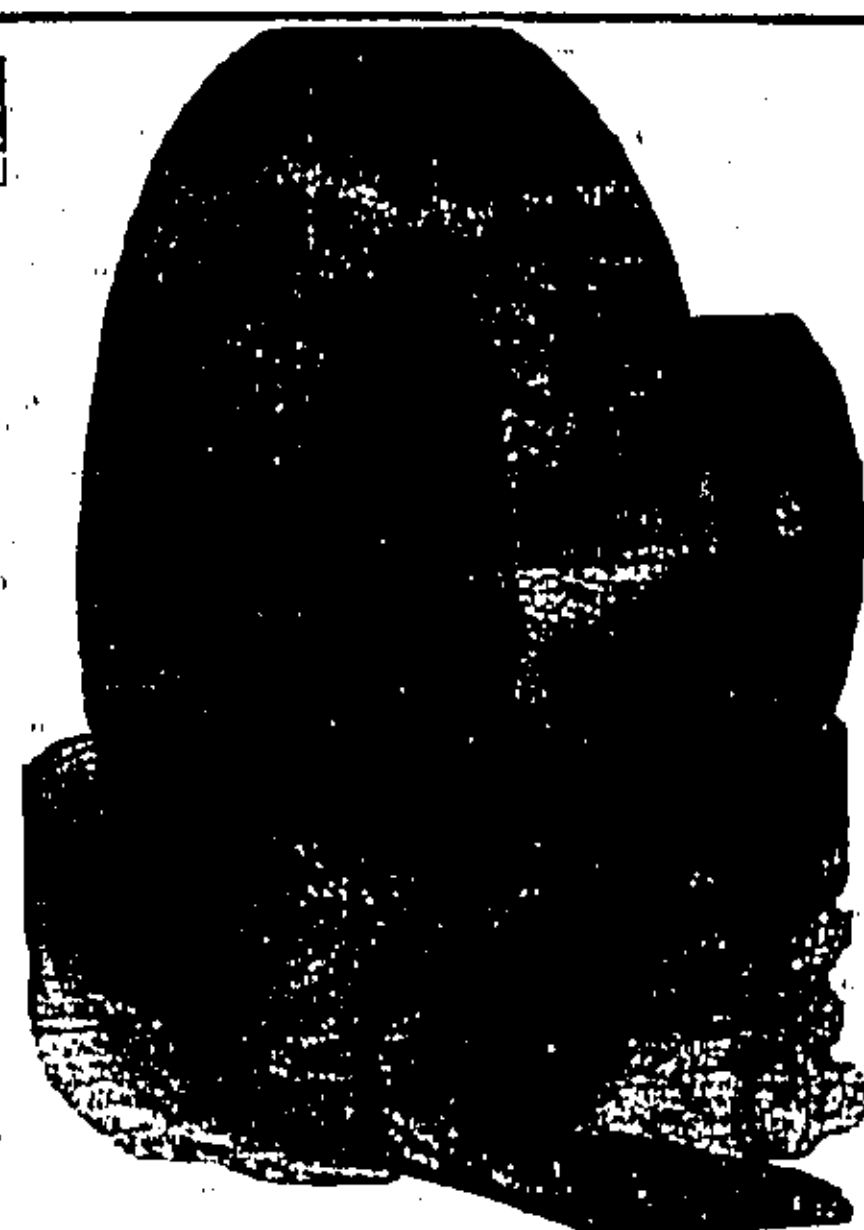
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LIVING AT HOME.**THOUGHTS FOR THOSE ABOUT
TO RETIRE.****THE COST OF LIVING.**A home correspondent in the
course of a reply to criticisms in the
Malay Mail writes: The general
cost of living, i.e., rent, food, coal,
clothes, boot, travelling, stationery,
etc., etc., shows no general decline
at all during the past six
months—a small reduction on
one article being counter-
balanced by increase on another.
For instance, the price of coal has
more than doubled recently. Boot-
makers say that in all probability the
price of boots and shoes will go up
instead of down. Everybody expects
to pay more for their coal in the
near future. Whisky has gone up
from 9s. to 10s. 6d. a bottle. Second
hand furniture and motor cars fetch
50 per cent. more than original cost.
Tailors in Sackville Street, Conduit
Street and Saville Row ask from £12
to £14 for a lounge suit; but the big
and cheaper firms elsewhere ask at
least nine to ten guineas for any
material worth having; and in the
provinces a provincial cut may be
obtained for eight guineas. But, as
much of the material which has been
made of late is so obviously inferior
to pre-war material, it may be
economical to deal with and pay the
price asked by the best firms, for after
all it is better to pay £12 for a suit
which will last twice as long as one
costing £8 or £9.**HOTELS AND SERVANTS.**The shortage in hotel accommoda-
tion is certainly not confined to
London, although no doubt it is more
marked there. The point to be re-
membered is that the shortage ex-
tends to flats at less than six guineas
a week, small houses and apart-
ments.
I have been visiting families I knew
well before the war. In one case
there are still two servants in the
house and the wife who is nearly
seventy has still to buy and carry
home her own meat and groceries
every day—the maid is too young
and the cook declines to do it. In
another case where two servants had
been kept, there had been neither
housemaid nor cook for two years.
In yet another and larger house where
four servants are kept, the offer of
£50 a year for a cook has met with
no response for five months.People who do not know anything
about it may say: "Oh, we shall be
quite willing to take a little £40 to
£50 a year house in a street of small
houses somewhere in the outskirts of
London." Well, these are just the
suburbs that ten thousand permanent
householders in London are looking for
residence. People who have and do
today this class of property have tome that they get offers of from 60
per cent. to 80 per cent. more than
they gave for their houses and if, in
the course of spring cleaning, the
curtains are taken down from the
windows, it is assumed that the
house is becoming vacant and
passers by ring the bell and ask if
the house is to let!Where there are children to be
educated residence in England may
be a necessity; likewise the proximity
of educational facilities. Furnished
apartments—either good, bad or in-
different; generally the latter—is
about the best that can be hoped for
in such circumstances. If no educa-
tional facilities are required, some-
thing a little better than a labourer's
cottage in the country would serve.
But this would be deadly dull in the
winter.People with limited incomes who
have no particular ties at home will
find life easier and more comfortable
in parts of Asia than in Europe.
From all accounts the cost of living
is now higher on the Continent than
in England, where you can at least
buy most things if you have sufficient
money (Cheese has lately been un-
obtainable, but that is exceptional.)**COMFORTS IN MALAYA.**I am not talking about people who
want champagne, motor cars and
other luxuries, but of those who have
been accustomed in their childhood
at home and in their life in Malaya
to comfortable homes. These are
people who will feel the great change
when they come to retire on less
than £1,000 a year. It is one thing
to come home and have a good time
and spend every cent saved and
coming in as full pay or even half
pay. To settle permanently is another
thing altogether. I said in a previous
letter that professional fees had not
apparently been increased. I find,
however, that both doctors and
dentists are in some cases now asking
more. One guinea for the smallest
stopping and this by no means in
the vicinity of Harley Street. Three
guineas instead of two for a special-
ist's advice. Taken singly all
these advances may not sound very
terrible, but the sum total has a very
real significance for families with
fixed incomes.It is always difficult to convince
people who do not want to be con-
vinced. And it is easy to say: "Oh,
we can do what thousands of other
people have to do, viz., cut our coat
according to the cloth." The F.M.S.
is not a very good training ground
for this line of procedure. There
people demand and get more cloth!
Judging from the fashions of to-day
some ladies are rather fond of
skimpy, not to say diaphanous gar-
ments, but to be in the fashion is
not the same thing as being either
happy or comfortable. Which
reminds me that I have seen young
women going in the morning to their
daily work in dresses cut so low both
front and back that at first sight one
was inclined to believe that they
were on their way to a dinner party**WILL OF ALLEGED
MADMAN DISPUTED.****HALF-A-MILLION INVOLVED.**In the Probate Court recently be-
fore Mr. Justice Coleridge, a dispute
with regard to the estate of the late
Mr. Francis Arthur Davis, of Lady's
Wood, Malmesbury, Gloucestershire,
said to be worth £554,000, who died
on March 14, 1918, was heard.The will was disputed by Major
George for Frederick Davis, the elder
son, of Adam Street, London, who
alleged undue influence on the part of
Mr. Alfred Willis, a partner in the
firm of Messrs. Stibbard, Gibson and
Co., London.The plaintiffs were Mr. Alfred
Willis, Mr. William Francis Mason
Sedgwick, Mr. Charles Ralph
Higgins, and Mr. Francis French
Davis, who, as the executors, pro-
pounded the last will of the deceased,
dated June 18, 1908, and a codicil of
March 30, 1912.Sir Ellis Hume Williams, K.C., for
the plaintiffs, stated that Mr. Davis
had divided his fortune into seven
trusts for his several children. The
defendant, Major Davis, was the
eldest, and he took under the will a
seventh share.Evidence was called by Major
Davis. His sister, Miss Jessie Flora
Davis, stated that her father was not
in a fit state to make a will. He was,
she declared, a murderous madman.
He would have killed every one of
them if he could. Major Davis said
that he was in such a terrible state
that he set man-traps and put up
barbed wire round his place, and
openly stated that his object was
killing.The Judge: You are taking £1,500
a year under the will of this man
you call a madman. Do you justify
that in your conscience?—Yes,
considering what I have suffered. I
virtually starved for seven years.The Judge: Are you aware that
if this will is upset you will live the
£1,500 yearly?—I am ignorant of
these matters.Sir Ellis pointed out that it was
on account of the action of Mr.
Alfred Willis, against whom undue
influence was alleged, that witness
received £1,500 yearly instead of
£500 a year.Miss Margaret Julia Davis, the
youngest daughter of the testator,
said she always regarded her father
as mad.Mr. Sedgwick, one of the executors
of the will in dispute, stated that in
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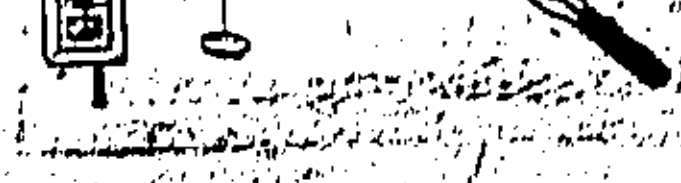
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HONGKONG, MONDAY, JULY 28, 1919.

OUR CONSTITUTION.

What is our local Constitution? Not one per cent. know. It is not a Constitution that one can buy in a printed pamphlet, and digest in an hour. It is not one that has slowly grown, from precedent to precedent, based on a people's shaping will, or even on the opinions of men who had rights. The Constitution, Had did not make its Constitution. Had they done so, had they been given any real influence to do so, it had been better made. It has been made by people who never saw Hongkong, and by parasites they sent out. It has been made by people who did not care, by chess players whose business it is to sacrifice pawns for position, by willful men dressed in a little brief authority.

It is the Constitution of a Crown Colony, which is the same as to say it is the virtue of a harlot. If ever in the snowy waste of arctic Russia they find a living mammoth, we must adopt that beast as the totem of the Crown Colonies. In the Twentieth Century, with wireless communications and aerial transportation, with dozens of outworn shibboleths and fetiches scrapped by a world war, and the peoples everywhere agog for a system adapted to their up-to-date requirements, we look upon the Crown Colony and its constitution as a queer anomaly, a startling anachronism, a survival of the unfit, a live dodo sitting on unfertile eggs, a living mammoth. A Crown Colony (mark the suggestion of the name of it) is a relic of monarchic days and ways. France, Germany, America, Russia, these and others have scrapped monarchy. Britain has clipped and tied hers that it is a mere name. Canada renounces even monarchic trimmings. Australia despatches them. Japan, the Benjamin of the monarchic family, has still time to grow up. China, the eldest of them all, is for ever done with it. Britain, even now in the throes of a fresh movement, however groping and tentative, in the direction of asserting democratic control allows this outgrowth, this dependent branch establishment, men whose training has been in dead languages and dead ways, ten-cent Bourbons who can neither learn nor forget, plumbec Neros who fiddle, and fiddle badly, even while Rome is burning. They are like unto "coolies", on the bodies of soldiers, contributing their petty bit of bloodshed to the

greater carnage. The hero slaps and scratches and swears; the lice sit tight. It is not a pretty image, but it is a just one.

Why do Crown Colony officials always so stubbornly, so pigheadedly, resist reform? They must have some motive. What difference does it make to them? Is it Nietzsche's Will to Power? It looks like it. An unofficial majority might reduce a Governor to the rank of a mere Chairman, might put him on some occasion into a position where his flat would seem ridiculous and his pomp a pretence. How carefully at present is Cerberus fed with sops. Here come the ravelling wolves of democracy. Throw them a Legislative Council, on which some, but not too many, representative men may be elected. Let them play at making laws, but see to it that their laws are so drafted that the Executive can introduce the real and necessary mischief. Let them write and sign blank cheques to bearer, so long as the Executive may fill in the amount.

It is true, the unofficial minority will be a nuisance from time to time. It will pester the Panjandrum, (so called because instead of a head he often has "a little button on top.") But what of that? It will be easy to tell them that there either is or is not a precedent. They can always be silenced with *non possumus*. Or, if *non possumus* should seem too strong, as in the case of the Reform Association and its resolutions by public meeting, the Government (let me say *let me say*) can play *possum*. The Colonial Secretary can inform the agitators that the Secretary of State for the Colonies has actually deigned to listen to their plea, and that he has instructed the new satrap, somewhere in the sweet by-and-by, when he has had time to learn the local ropes (which he will of course learn from us), to think about it. We asked one of the leading men of the Reform Association how he regarded the official response to those public resolutions. "In a measure," said he, "as a means of further delaying the issue." That is not as frenzied a comment as we look for from a true lover of our lady Democracy. Her father (if we may twist the metaphor somewhat) has kicked the woe out of the house, and he considers that "in a measure" the kicking tends to delay the issue. It does that. In vulgar, Bolshevistic talk, it shoves the business completely until further pressure of a pronounced and determined character is applied by the public. In short, we may safely reckon on this, that the bureaucratic limpets will not budge until they are pried off, and they probably will not be pried off until the revolution has taken place at Home. In plain terms, Hongkong will follow the example of Macao when Britain copies Por-

tugal, and some of us will be grinning at the wrong side of the herbage before that happens. Always provided, of course, that the Reform Association does not take such steps as will startle the folk at Home into learning that Hongkong is something more than a little red dot on the map of Asia. By "nagging" Parliament, and by using the Home Press, the business could be expedited. Publicity will do it. Just now the Gang at Home is prepared to pay more attention to the voices of the Dominions and the big Colonies. Why shouldn't the little Colonies creep in with them, ask them to take us by the hand when they approach the Imperial Panjandrum? We now have quite a population of good democrats, of "workers" (as they would say elsewhere). Does it care? If it cares, it can do. The local Panjandrum is gambling on the chance that it doesn't care enough. Public meetings like that of the Reform Association alarm them a little, just a little, not much. One feather doesn't make a feather bed. You've got to show them, to convince them. Follow citizens of Kowloon and Victoria, it is up to you. Some of you came and told the China Mail. "Good! The colony needs a really independent, honest democratic paper. Go ahead. Carry on." You bought the China Mail in steadily increasing number (a practical way of enabling us to carry on) but you were still lazy. A few of you made a point of giving us "tips" and hints. A few of you even sent us items of news and opinion. But if you care, it is still up to you. We can at best be your mouthpiece, if you keep your mouths shut, if you leave it all to our staff and the few loyal outside helpers, the Panjandrum will win. We want more and more public opinion, more letters, more direct advice from you. As they had to hold up the tired arm of Moses, so you must support ours, if the China Mail is to help you to the gratification of your desires and the fruition of your will.

The British soldier in France evolved a peculiar humour. One of his pet jokes, according to a friend of ours who was a Military Censor, was to put on one page of his letter "I send you ten shillings", and on the next page, "But not this week." You remind us rather of Tommy. You want Reform, "but not this week." That it will come, must come, is as certain and as sure to us as that to-morrow the dawn will colour the eastern sky. But it is not like the dawn that is punctual. It is already overdue, and you can hasten its advent if you care enough. Why sneak about whispering? It was a shout that brought down the walls of Jericho. Shout then, shout "reform" till the Panjandrum shiver in their shoes and learn to contemplate the possibility of being less stiff-necked. Shout so that the folk at Home hear and know you are men that mean business. Shout—or shut up.

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Rice is scarce. The scarcity has been artificially brought about. Shiploads of it are allowed to leave the Colony while our people are clamouring for it. What is left is held for prices beyond their means.

The Government is acting, has acted. Compared with the customary dilly-dallying of the Government, it has acted promptly. But it should make more haste.

It was the same with houses. Our increased population must have shelter. The Government is moving, has moved. It was and is too deliberate. The need is for now. It should get a move on.

It has published proclamations fixing the price of rice—since the riots reported in Saturday's China Mail.

Will it fix rents, and stop profiteering in house property, after the desperate White Men have followed the coolie example?

Impossible? Don't be silly. What the peaceful folk at Home did at Luton—what the fed-up troops did at southern camps at Home—is not impossible even here, given sufficient exasperation. Dilly-dally exasperates.

On Friday, people were smiling at the China Mail hint that we might have rice riots. On Saturday they were reading of the event. *Abait oten.*

Let every hotel catering for Europeans at once cease serving rice. That will help. Let the Government ask this—at once.

Let the Government prohibit further exports. That will fetch prices down.

There are two practicable suggestions. Will the authorities accept them?

They will not. If they are "properly" approached, with a "humble petition," they will promise to give them "every consideration." Then they will dilly-dally. And

THE STRIKERS.

The tangle at Home is a rotten one. It now amounts to civil war. Unfortunately, very few people seem able to see the position clearly. Most journalistic comments are stupid. Reuter's references coming through have the journalistic tone and touch. That sort of thing does not help. We do not have to be Labourites. We do not have to side with the Government. But we do have to keep our heads and see plain facts. The journalistic tone is taken from the public. That must be admitted. The public feels inconvenience, and its outlook is coloured thereby. It is exactly on a level with the liverish man on a hot day swearing at the punkah coolie.

Get that? Suppose the punkah coolie may have his side. Suppose rice has risen and his wage hasn't.

(Think of the parallel case of the miner.) Suppose his job is a rotten one anyway. (The miner's is a worse.) Suppose the punkah coolie wakes up. (We wish he would.) Suppose he strikes.

You'd be angry. You would feel the inconvenience. You wouldn't be able to see the position as he sees it. You wouldn't try. Why?

Listen. For one thing you would be bamboozled by a mere word. "Strike" is an active verb. It implies an action you resent. But its real meaning, in a labour strike, is only that the striker has ceased to act. Your inconvenience is due to his inactivity.

In considering the present crisis at Home, we don't ask you to be pro-Labour. We think the Gang has made a mess of things but we don't ask you to agree with us. All we ask is that in your comments on the situation you should not let yourself be led away by the ignorant journalists, nor by your resentment of inconvenience.

The miners are Doing Nothing. You cannot punish a man who is Doing Nothing. He has Done Nothing to be hated for.

To get a man to Do Something you must make it Worth His While. Would you go down a dirty, dangerous mine because some fool journalist said it was your Duty? Or because it was made worth your while?

If you drop the word "strike," and use the phrase "ceased work," you'll be surprised to find that the naughty connotation has diminished in your mind.

Confess now. You never thought of this before? That's what the China Mail is for, to encourage you to think.

There are too many parrots, and the parrot Press encourages them. Come out from amongst them. Look at your punkah coolie. Ask the price of rice. Ask the amount of his wage. And then think of the miners at Home.

BUNKUM.

Culture occasionally invades even the places where they carouse. Culture, or what passes for it. This was the proposition the other night, that a straight line into space must return ultimately to its starting point. Man said it could be demonstrated—by mathematics. Talked about fourth dimension. All bunkum. Words, not ideas, names, not concepts. Traveling in a straight direction, true to compass, on this sphere, another man pointed out, the traveller must return to starting point. But straight direction not a straight line. First one defined a straight line as the shortest distance between two points. Only true of two points on a straight line. Not true of two points on a sphere. Impossible to imagine straight line between two points without imagining a straight continuation beyond the second point, into space. Further it continues, further from first point it must go. *Nulla retrosumus.* Impossible to conceive space as a thing shut in, as in a hollow sphere. More space outside sphere. Space merely another name for nothing. End of space must imply beginning of something. And so on. All bunkum. Better carry on carousals. They argue, and get heated, and they never define their terms—or agree on—premises. Queer chaps, men. Very. Think they think. Pooh!

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Te-day's dollar is worth 3s. 6 15/16d.

The popular Bandy show opens here for a season on August 7.

The only communicable disease mentioned in today's return is one English case of enteric fever.

The inclemency of the weather caused the postponement of the V.R.C. night fete on Saturday.

Eng. Commander J. L. Sands, R.N., has been appointed to H.M.S. "Tamar" additional for duty at Weihai-wei.

Mr. J. Oram Sheppard, manager of the local branch of the Pacific Mail S.S. Co., returned from Shanghai by the B. I. s.s. "Dilwara" yesterday.

Alterations and repairs to the building formerly occupied by the Dragon Motor Car Co. have commenced. Messrs. Alex. Ross and Co. are removing there later.

The P. and O. s.s. "Nagoya," cleared for the North today with 23 cabin and 97 deck passengers from Hongkong. There were also 53 through passengers on board.

Lieut. Colonel L. L. Hepper, R.G.A., who commanded the 24th Hazara Mountain Battery, here in pre-war days, received his D.S.O. from the King at Buckingham Palace on May 22.

Many Hongkong Police are returning by the Blue Funnel s.s. "Antiochus" due on August 8. There are also a number of European recruits for the Force coming out on the same ship.

At about 2.30 a.m. this morning, nearly a hundred coolies paraded at the Praya along West Point. They were standing about aimlessly. Some Chinese residents were afraid, but the coolies did not meddle with any one.

So far this month 29 newspapers in different parts of Japan have had issues confiscated by the authorities on the ground of having published articles or reports concerning the rice question and the rise in prices, says the *Jiji*.

The King received in private, on June 14, at Buckingham Palace, Mr. Reginald Edward Stubbs, Governor-Designate of Hongkong, whom H.M. knighted and invested with the insignia of a Knight Commander of the Order of St. Michael and St. George.

Having been relieved by Engineer Commander Sampson, R.N., who arrived by the P. & O. s.s. "Nagoya," Engineer Commander W. W. Reed, R.N., will relinquish the appointment of Engineer Commander H. M. Dockyard and proceed Home.

The funeral of the late Mr. William Barbour who died at the Customs Quarters, Honam, on Wednesday, was held the following day. Many of his friends attended the funeral, the burial taking place at the foreign cemetery near Macao Forts—Canton Times.

Major Tom Graham, Royal Welsh Fusiliers—a veteran of the Boxer War—and well-known in the North, is returning to Tientsin. He was given a commission in the 8th Battalion of his old regiment, and with it went through the Gallipoli Expedition, never receiving a scratch, though constantly in action, and later he was in the Mesopotamian Expedition.

Seventy deported German subjects from the Marshall Islands have arrived at Yokohama by the N.Y.K. chartered steamer "Kaihei Maru," and are to stay for one or two months at the former German naval hospital on the bluff, awaiting a steamer to take them home. The party comprises 36 women and 11 children. The bulk of the party are German missionaries. Of the 23 women, 10 are puna.

On arrival in England from Eastern waters, the light cruiser "Astraea," Captain F.M. Austen, which in August 1914, took part in operations at Dar-es-Salaam, German East Africa, resulting in the destruction of the gunboat "Moewe" and a floating dock, is to be placed on the disposal list. The "Astraea" was built under the Naval Defence Act, being launched at Devonport on March 17, 1893. Older residents and Naval men will remember the "Astraea" on this station.

Shanghai being declared a cholera infected port by the Japanese Government, no vessel is permitted to enter any Japanese port within five days after its departure from Shanghai. The "Empress of Russia," which arrived on July 14 from Hongkong via Shanghai, was submitted to this restriction, being released at 9 p.m. on the 17th. She was permitted to take in bunker coal whilst in detention, and proceeded to Kobe without entering the harbour before the period of five days elapsed.

A LOCAL MILITARY MATTER.

THE FLAIN CLOTHES QUESTION.

The military authorities here have ideas their very own.

On Thursday last the China Mail wrote on the question of the G.O.C. permitting Officers to wear plain clothes when off duty at the same time making no announcement as regards restoring this boon to the "other ranks."

We are informed that a paragraph in King's Regulations reads: "Officers, Warrant Officers, and N. C. O's, not below the rank of Colour Sergeant, may be permitted, etc., etc. So it will be seen that the authorities who devised the regulation lumped these ranks all together on the plain clothes question.

It has come to our notice that the concession has since been extended to Warrant Officers, Class II. Now isn't that the very best possible way of keeping the troops contented? Warrant Officers, Class II, and all N. C. O's are again left out of it.

The China Mail has been asked to return to the subject.

It passes our comprehension why the pre-war conditions were not restored thus preventing complaints. We believe that when the G.O.C. gives the matter individual consideration, the old conditions will be brought back into force. The experience the General must have gained during his lengthy service and particularly during the past five years, must have taught him that these invidious comparisons are "no born." They are odious and when the regulations admit it, it is unfair to withhold a concession from certain ranks that is granted to the rest.

NAVAL AND MILITARY GOING BY THE "ATREUS."

There will be a big crowd of Naval and Military people leaving for Home by the Blue Funnel s.s. "Atreus" during August. The crew of the H.M.S. "Kent" will be among the naval ratings, while the military include the 1914 and 1915 men that Winston Churchill promised should be sent Home.

With so many men taking passage on this ship, it might help to make the men's passage a trifle more congenial if the responsible officers will give the ship a little better inspection than usual.

The washing arrangements and the canteen charges and articles might be given special attention to the benefit of the men. After all the best care is their due. They will have a rotten trip anyhow, 1,000 odd men packed in that iron cargo boat going that distance.

We recall the miserable time the men had on the Antiochus, with lack of conveniences and extortionate charges in the Canteen.

THE TYPHOON.

The harbour has been almost devoid of small craft during the week-end due to the strong gusts of wind. Rain has fallen almost incessantly, the fall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. yesterday being 2.53 inches.

The typhoon at 6 a.m., yesterday, was situated to the east of Hainan, moving slowly W.N.W. Another typhoon formed to the east of Luzon. It appeared to be moving W.N.W., at 8 to 12 miles an hour.

No accidents due to the typhoon, are reported. The B. I. s.s. "Dilwara" on arrival went into Kowloon Bay, being unable to make the wharf.

TYPHOON WARNING.

The telegram quoted below was received from the Manila Observatory at 4.30 p.m. July 27, 1919.

Typhoon in about 113° long E. and 17° Lat. N. moving West.

Cyclone or typhoon E. of northern Luzon, less than 300 miles distant, moving W.N.W.

Cyclone or typhoon S. of Guam, direction unknown.

JUROR FINED.

Mr. D. Tollen, one of the jurors summoned in connection with the murder case before the Chief Justice in the Supreme Court this morning, failed to answer to his name and save his fine, and when he turned up ten minutes later, he was made to pay for his absence at the rate of a dollar a minute.

Captain E.S. Lucy, Lieut. R.M.S. Thomas, J. A. Halpin, L. B. Tyler, all R.G.A. Hongkong Captain Evans, Black Watch from Vladivostok, Sergt.-Majors Keenan and Goodman, Manchesters and a few other military details, are leaving for Home by the B. I. s.s. "Dilwara."

WHEN YOU BAT TOO MUCH.

DISTRESS in the stomach after eating is relieved by taking one of Cham-Belain's Tablets. Try it the next time you eat more than you should. For sale by All Chemists and Storekeepers.

VICTORIA THEATRE.

THE "PRIZE PACKETS."

Despite the bad weather, Saturday night saw a full house at the Victoria, when Mr. Charles clever combination of juvenile artists entertained the audience for two solid hours with their bright little ditties. The girls who looked mere children off the "boards," surprised their audience when behind the footlights, proving quite at home and showed not the least sign of stage fright. As one who had seen these artists two years ago, the writer is satisfied that they have made a decided improvement in every branch of their business.

Saturday's lengthy programme with the exception of two films—Pathé's British Gazette and a Harold Lloyd comedy entitled "A Sammy in Siberia"—was entirely supplied by the three girls, assisted by Mr. Weatherley at the piano. It proved very popular, every item being enthusiastically enjoyed. La Petite Zilla the eldest girl was heard to advantage in her rendering of "M.O.T.H.E.R." and the "Eye Question." Miss Xaida Stella, who is great in the role of mere man, and a handsome one she makes too, took the audience by storm, her contributions being well received. Her rendering of "The Land where there are no Girls" and "Follow the tram lines," were two winners. The same artiste was, at her best in the duo with La Petite Zilla, the number being entitled "An impression of Betty Barclay and a Baritone." The youngest girl of the trio, Miss Queenie Lloyd, was just as good as her sisters, the only difference being that she specialized in comic songs, "Snoozleoo," "F-A-T-H-E-R," and "That's the stuff to give 'em," are the most popular of her many contributions.

The style in which she performs is quite original and causes the audience much merriment. The concerted numbers too were very good. In these all three girls appeared in Ragtime. The step-dancing in the Finale was really good and the audience sat pat and refused to move until an encore had been granted.

A visit to the "Vic." is really to be recommended these days.

MANCHESTER WEEKLY MARKET REPORT.

Messrs. James F. Hutton & Co., Ltd., Manchester, report on June 18: The Manchester market reopened on Monday after the usual Whitsuntide Holidays and as was only to be expected there was an unusually large accumulation of letters and cables. The telegrams took the best part of Monday to decide and take out the details, the net result being an enormous amount of enquiry from all the Eastern markets. Quite a fair percentage of the telegrams were acceptances of offers wired three weeks ago, and although prices have not gone ahead during the past ten days at the same rate as the previous few weeks, very few of the confirmations were workable. To get a line through here and there was all that was possible, while the new offers, as a rule at figures which probably could have been taken five or six weeks ago, had no chance at today's values. More business has been done for China, which market seems to have given Merchants here more latitude as regards price than India. The Chinese buyers have evidently recognised that they must have the stuff and have left it to their Manchester friends to get in at the best possible limits, whereas the Indian dealers do not seem to have the necessary confidence and have suffered in consequence. The outlook is distinctly promising as the enquiry covers almost every kind and class of cloth, and the general feeling all round is one of greater confidence. India, China, the Straits Settlements, Egypt, the Levant, the African markets and the miscellaneous markets all seem now to have decided that Manchester goods are a necessity, and with a steady market there is every probability of a nice business resulting. Caution we are pleased to see is being observed, as where at normal prices business was done in fifty or hundred package lines enquiries are now from ten to twenty-five packages of a quality and it is obviously not desirous to buy too heavily of any one line with prices where they are to-day. This word of caution is not given with any immediate anticipation of easier prices, as prices will probably yet go still higher, but it must be remembered that there will be an ease sometime, although there will, we hope, not be the same panic such as was experienced at the signing of the Armistice and having in the main, but the market, and previously persuaded themselves that a return of pre-war conditions would come as soon as the war was over.

BLAZON TYPE NOT NECESSARY.

CHAMBERLAIN'S Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy needs no glowing headlines to attract the public eye. The simple statement that all chemists sell it is sufficient, as every family knows the value. It has been used for forty years and is just what its name implies. For sale by All Chemists and Storekeepers.

THE RICE RIOTS.

DISTURBANCES THROUGHOUT THE COLONY.

SHOPS LOOTED—CHINESE SHOT.

GOVERNMENT PRICES BY PROCLAMATION.

Exciting scenes were witnessed in Wanchai on Saturday, when the rice riot situation proved too much for some hundreds of coolies. They broke into rice shops and looted scenes of great excitement in the vicinity of the riots.

The first disturbance occurred at 158 Queen's Road, Wanchai, at about 10.30 this morning. About 100 to 150 coolies raided the shop. They brushed off the master and assistants, and handed out two sacks and a number of baskets of rice and two jars of sugar, about 11 piculs of rice and two of sugar. The coolies grabbed the rice and stowed it in pockets, and hats, but the favourite method of taking it away was by making an uproar of singlets, coats, etc. Some ran off with baskets full. They broke the jars containing the sugar.

A Chinese constable came along and blew his whistle. In a few minutes Inspector Kent, Sgt. Cooke and other police appeared on the scene.

IN SURREY LANE.

There was a more serious disturbance at 32 and 33 Surrey Lane, two rice shops. Hundreds of coolies besieged the shops and took large quantities into the street where eager hands stole the previous stuff.

At a further about 30 piculs of cheap rice were stolen from these shops before the police arrived.

The police effected the arrest of eight men and these will be charged at the Police Court on Monday.

Walking along Queen's Road this morning after the disturbances, a *China Mail* reporter noticed that many shops were closed, shopkeepers displaying this subnormal being rice shops, restaurants, and wineries. Outside 158 Queen's Road, one of the middle shops, 50 to 60 coolies and children watched the closed doors and when the *China Mail* reporter was inside they hammered at the door.

In Nubiah Lane a couple of hundred coolies were standing about in groups, looking rather disconsolate. The police anticipate no more trouble but as a precautionary measure a patrol of two Europeans, two Indians and two Chinese are patrolling the area where the disturbances occurred.

It is estimated that from 500 to 800 coolies were concerned in the riots on the shops.

The police recovered about eight out of the 11 piculs of rice stolen. The rice stolen from 158 Queen's Road was of a superior quality and with the sugar was valued at \$198.50. The 11 piculs stolen from the two shops in Nubiah Lane were of the common kind, and valued at \$188.00.

[The foregoing appeared in our late edition on Saturday which was issued to subscribers.]

FURTHER SCENES IN WANCHAI.

Wanchai was extremely unsettled during the week-end. On Sunday morning about 11 o'clock a large crowd of coolies made an assault on some rice shops in Anter Street. The crowd numbered over 500 and they endeavored to burst the doors behind which the rice was stored. Before this was accomplished the Police from No. 2 Police Station had received warning and soon made their appearance. Most of the coolies fled but others were more desperate. On these the Police used sticks to induce a complete dispersal. Three men were arrested.

Other shops in Cross Street, Spring Garden Lane, and Landale Street received attention. A Japanese shop would have had a bad time but for the timely arrival of the Police.

Yet another scene occurred at 91 Wanchai Road, a rice shop. Here the crowd gained entrance and quickly took possession of about seven piculs of rice which was eagerly shared by the hungry people.

The Police soon got wind of this raid and dispersed the crowd, arresting one man who looked into the till while the others took rice.

IN OTHER QUARTERS.

At West Point matters might have developed into serious disturbances. The coolies were estimated to number 2,000 and were of the hefty stevedore type. In Des Voeux Road towards Centre Street there are a number of rice shops. It may be the trouble arose through a large crowd congregating outside the Tung Fung shop where the proprietor with good intentions, was selling rice cheaply. These unable to get rice, either through lack of money or the density of the crowd, began to throw stones. They failed in an attempt to rush the place, the shopkeeper wisely closing doors.

Help was forthcoming from No. 7 Police Station, Inspector Macdonald and a party turning out. Large numbers of the Chinese remained in the vicinity shouting and accusing the rice shopkeepers of making big profit.

MAN SHOT AT SHAUKIWAN.

At Shaukiwai trouble broke out last night and the severest casualty known occurred there. A rice shop, No. 49, was the scene of the outbreak. The crowd gained access to the shop and stole rice, and other things easy to remove. A struggle between a Chinese detective and one of the raiders for possession of the detective's revolver, ended in a man being shot through the arm. The wounded man was removed to the hospital. The police restored comparative quiet and guarded the premises. Most of the shops were closed.

A further disturbance is reported from a wharf on Connaught Road yesterday morning. As a Canton steamer dropped anchor a crowd attempted to rush on board. Fortunately the Police on duty were at hand and with the watermen prevented the ship being sacked.

Another reporter says: When the s.s. "Kinsman" arrived from Canton on Saturday, a crowd of Chinese numbering about three hundred strong, rushed upon the coolies who were discharging rice and snatching it from them as it came on. Others with knives cut open some of the sacks as soon as the rice was on the wharf, and the crowd helped themselves. These in charge of the rice attempted to show resistance but the crowd was too numerous.

It is also reported that some of the Chinese crew on board in order to make profit from Canton brought a picul of rice each, but when they took the rice on the wharf it was seized by the crowd. Out of about 60 piculs, only two reached their destination intact.

Later reports show that the disturbances were almost general throughout the Colony. In Bonham Street there was a commotion all afternoon. The rice shops all closed but the crowd penetrated No. 18 Hillier Street. They threw out the rice to the crowd until Indian Police used operations. Much damage was done to the shop fittings, etc.

At Yauwatt the disturbances reached a serious aspect. The Police fired warning shots and the crowd indulged in stone throwing. The Police charged the crowd and a number received cracked heads.

At Taiipo there was trouble because a shopkeeper refused to sell rice, saying it was all being sent to Hongkong. A number of the inhabitants picked up a row with the shopkeeper, but no serious incident is reported.

GOVERNMENT PRICES. The Rice Controller, Mr. R. O. Hutchison, has issued a proclamation, by authority of the Government, fixing rice prices, which from today are: First quality, \$21 per picul; Second quality, \$15; Third quality, \$12.50.

Yesterday afternoon and evening, the Captain Supdt. of Police and Mr. Hutchison toured the districts in a motor car to gain first hand information of the situation. They concluded these duties about 10 o'clock last night. The proclamations are being posted up throughout the Colony.

The Governor, accompanied by Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher (Colonial Secretary), Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe (C.S.P.), and Mr. R. O. Hutchison (Rice Controller), toured the districts this morning in motor cars. They found matters quiet.

MORE RICE STOLEN.

A hitherto unreported confiscation of rice was that experienced by the Tung Yee firm of Yauwatt, Government Contractors, yesterday morning.

This firm has a large number of workmen on the Taiipo Road improvement. It was the firm's intention to send 15 bags of rice (about 27 piculs) for these men, by the railway. The 15 bags had hardly started for Yauwatt station when a large crowd encircled trucks of rice and took the lot. Those at Taiipo had to go without temporarily.

There were a few Police about but these were helpless to deal with the crowd.

This morning the Tung Yee firm experimented with two bags of rice, escorted by 20 of their own coolies. This worked alright with the Police "giving an eye" to the rice.

POLICE COURT PROCEEDINGS.

A dozen Chinese were charged at the Magistrate's today in connection with the rice riots. In one instance, five men who were alleged to have stolen a quantity of rice from a shop in 18 Hillier Street, denied the charge before Magistrate Lindell. Inspector Brazil conducting the prosecution said that the shop in question was raided by several hundred coolies and thirty piculs of rice were stolen. Defendants were amongst the stealer, but the C.S.P. did not want to press the charge. A Chinese constable next declared that he intercepted first accused who

COMPANY MEETING.

UNITED ASBESTOS ORIENTAL AGENCY LTD.

The annual meeting of the United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd., was held in the offices of Messrs. Dodwell and Company this morning.

Mr. S. H. Dodwell, chairman of the company presided, Messrs. G. Morton Smith and G. R. Edwards (Sec. star) were also present. After the Secretary had read the notice convening the meeting, the Chairman said:

Gentlemen, The report and accounts having been in your hands for some time I propose with your permission to take them as read.

The result of the year's working I feel sure you will consider satisfactory. Including \$10,601.99 brought forward from last account there is an amount of \$72,534.43 available for distribution, and I trust you will approve the allocation recommended in the report.

Certain exceptional circumstances contributed towards this result and it is therefore recommended that \$20,000 should be set aside towards an equalisation of dividend fund.

As probably all shareholders in the Colony are aware, since our last meeting your General Managers decided that it was essential to build our own Godowns.

We were fortunate in acquiring the necessary land at Tai Kok Tsui on reasonable terms, and I am pleased to say we are now the owners of up-to-date Godown accommodation, with a water frontage just inside the new typhoon refuge, which enables us to load and discharge our lighters etc., in all weathers.

Our stocks have as usual been carefully checked by the Superintendents, and liberal allowances made for depreciation.

That, I think Gentlemen, is all the comment necessary, and I now beg to propose the adoption of the report and accounts as circulated. When this has been seconded I shall be pleased to answer any questions shareholders may desire to ask.

Mr. Edwards, seconded, and there being no questions, the report and accounts were adopted.

Mr. G. Morton Smith proposed, and Mr. G. R. Edwards seconded, the re-election of Mr. F. Maitland as auditor at a remuneration of \$300. Approved.

This concluded the meeting.

PIRACY ON WEST RIVER.

S.S. "NANNING" RANSACKED.

There was a daring piracy perpetrated on the West River on Friday, the S.S. "Nanning" being the victim. The "Nanning" is on the Canton-Wuchow run and left the latter place on Friday. When the vessel was two miles from Wuchow, near an island called Chicken Basket 16 Chinese appeared armed, and held up the passengers and crew. There was no resistance so the pirates had the ship kept on her way towards Canton while they proceeded the ransack the ship. They took all money and valuables and valuable cargo, the whole reckoned at the value of \$10,000, excluding personal effects.

By the time the "Nanning" was six miles from Wuchow, she was met by three sampans each containing six men. Into these sampans the pirates went with their booty, and they then rowed away. The "Nanning" then turned about and returned to Wuchow where the piracy was reported.

The place where the pirates left the ship was near the first bar. Nothing further is known of the occurrence which was reported at Hongkong by Captain Williams of the s.s. "Tai Ming" which came from Wuchow but did not see the actual piracy.

was in possession of some of the rice and challenged his right of possession. The latter's essay to take him to the shop where he got the rice. Witness agreed, and on arrival saw a motley, clamouring crowd, who shouted "stone him" when they sighted him. Whistles were blown and a few constables came to his help, and the defendants were arrested.

The charge against the fifth defendant was reduced to one of unlawful possession, as it could not be proved that the rice had been stolen from 18 Hillier Street.

Mr. Lindell (to Inspector Brazil): You tell me the C.S.P. did not wish to press the charge?

Inspector Brazil: It is more or less a case of a hungry mob trying to get something to eat. A proclamation was put up this morning ordering the reduction in price of rice.

Mr. Lindell, after relating to consider the case, said he had found that the price of rice is very high, and he knew how hard it is for the lower classes of Chinese to pay for it. At the same time it was wrong for defendants to take the law into their own hands. Stealing and causing a disturbance of this kind cannot be allowed. The Government had now fixed the price for rice at \$12.50 third grade, per picul, middle grade, \$15 per picul, and first grade \$21.

The first two defendants were sentenced to two weeks' jail, third and fourth accused seven days and 22nd defendant ten days.

LICENSING BOARD.

REFULSE BAY HOTEL.

A meeting of the Licensing Board was held in the Council Chamber today. The Hon. Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher presided and there were present the Hon. Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., the Hon. C. McL. Messers, O.B.E., the Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, O.B.E., and Messrs. A. MacKenzie, A. Shelton Hooper, H. Percy Smith and G. A. Woodcock (Secretary).

The first application to be heard was that of Mr. Taggart for a full licence for the Refulse Bay Hotel.

Mr. W. E. L. Shenton who appeared for Mr. Taggart, said this was a branch of the Hongkong Hotel and Mr. Taggart had been the manager of that well known establishment for the last 20 years and there has never been any complaint against him or the way in which the Hotel was run. Counsel applied for a full licence as from the 1st October as it is hoped the Hotel would be opened by that time. As a proof of the popularity of the proposed venture, said Counsel, Mr. Taggart has the support of Mr. F. Maitland and Sir Ellis Kadoorie. They do not propose to have a public bar, but they desire to serve patrons and residents.

At present there is not a place where people can have refreshments except the Golf Club and that place is for members only. Counsel submitted that a full licence would be the only thing that would be of any good for Mr. Taggart's purpose. With an adjunct licence, it would be necessary to have meals with drinks. That is not what they want to do. This Hotel will be a sort of resting place for bathing parties and a man who took his children for a dip would quite naturally want a whisky and soda or a glass of beer without having a meal thrust on him. By opening this Hotel, Mr. Taggart has made himself a pioneer in connection with the Housing Problem.

Mr. Alabaster: Mr. Taggart will live on the premises?—Yes that is what he proposes to do. After some further discussion the board granted the application. The next application heard was by the proprietor of the Nomura Hotel for permission to remove the business to No. 66 Connaught Road Central. The applicant said he gave up his present place a month ago and had done no business pending the board's decision. Should his application be granted, he proposed to resume the Hotel and the services of the Geisha girls as hitherto. The application was granted.

SAD DEATH AT SWATOW.

TWO ASSISTANT DROWNED.

Messrs. Jardine, Matheson received a telegram from their Swatow office yesterday, stating that one of their assistants, Mr. V. A. Maunder was drowned on Saturday at Swatow. The deceased it appears was one of a bathing party that went to Mass Island, a bathing resort at the entrance to Swatow Harbour, where there are a few summer residences and which is much frequented by bathing parties.

There are no further particulars as to how Mr. Maunder was drowned. Mr. Maunder was about 25 years of age and joined the firm at Shanghai. He has been at Swatow for nearly three years and was due to be transferred here in a month's time.

H. M. S. "Fame" which left Har-

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NOT THE GAME.

How to get rid of a Hirst or Hobbs when well set is a problem which baffle many a bowler. But it has been solved by the youthful cricketer of the masses, and as his solution was not anticipated by our cricket legislators, they have made no definite rule against it.

In play centre cricket when all legitimate devices to defeat a well-set batsman have failed, there is still one method left to the bowler. He delivers the ball at his fastest, leaps wildly gesticulating into the air, sings his hands up and yells, "ah!" at the top of his voice. His utterance is certainly merely a prophecy, but the batsman, being startled, now and again fumbles it.

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By Order of the Board,
W. E. ROBERTS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, July 28, 1919.

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Speed 9 knots per hour
Capacity by measurement ... 1500 tons
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Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from

the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded

unless notice to the contrary be given

before.

No claims will be admitted after the

Goods have left the Godowns, and all

Goods remaining undelivered after the

30th inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must

be presented to the Underwriters on

or before the 11th prox. or they will

not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged

Goods are to be left in the Godowns,

where they will be examined on the

29th inst. at 10 a.m. by Messrs God-

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No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned

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Agents.

Hongkong, July 24, 1919.

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THE Steamship

"FOOKSANG,"

having arrived from the above ports,

Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby

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landed at their risk into the Godowns and/or

extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong

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packages are to be left in the Godowns where

they will be examined. Claims against

the steamer must be presented within

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be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us

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JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,

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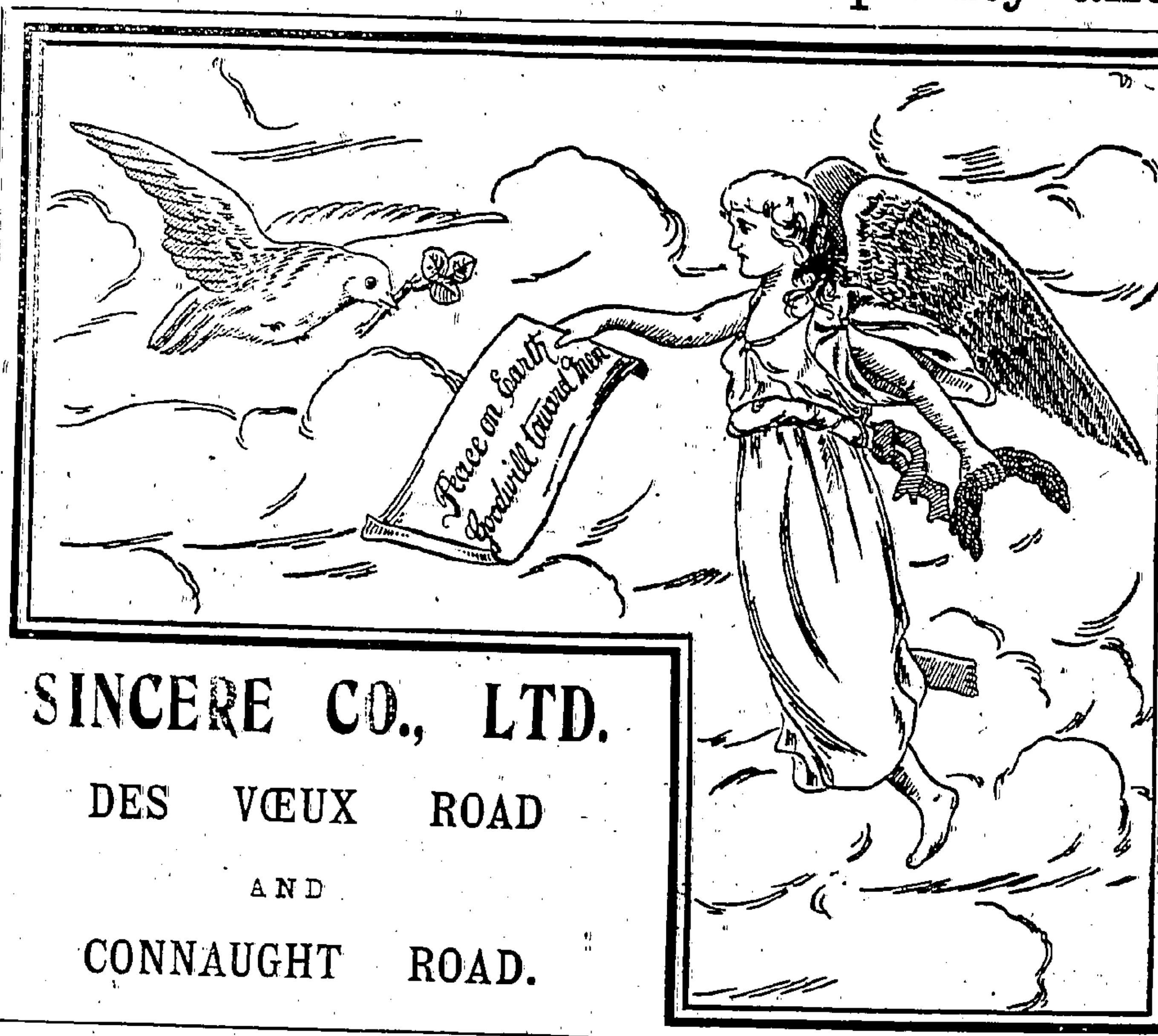
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WHAT IS AN ORPHANAGE?

[To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."]

Sir, The question of a new building for the Diocesan School and Orphanage on a site over Kowloon has been considered and arrangements have been made with architects. In the opinion of "an old boy," I would say that such a proposal is well-thought of by the headmaster, and the scheme necessary. The school is of long standing, and needs more space for boarders, orphans, and others. The school has a record of honour, dating back to 1860. In the time of Mr. Perry, the popular late headmaster, who retired all the conditions for work were good. The school which is under the management of the Bishop of Victoria and Diocese, received orphans, for free education, and also those whose parents could not pay anything. Many of these orphans after they had reached the senior form passed out into successful careers. Mr. Perry, in spite of his years, had worked with unvarying efforts for the good of the school, helping in games, and especially with the studies of the classes, where revision of the work was done once in every week, producing successful results in the University examinations. The orphans in the school were especially cared for, and they slept in dormitories with the other boys, without the slightest difference made between rich and poor. I have heard that there is a difference between the views of one headmaster and the other. I learn that a revolutionary change has taken place in the school. Orphans and poor boys are no longer accepted. The dormitories have been turned into private rooms, and occupied by the head. Those poor who have a guardian are forced to give \$5 for fees. I think of its past record and am sad. It is every old boy's hope that the famous Diocesan Home would again turn into an orphan school, where the poor are to be received as before. I remain, Sir, Yours sincerely,

M. T. S.

THE RICE RIOT.

[To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."]

Sir—What was feared by every reasonable man, did take place in this Colony of Hongkong. The poor class unable to wait any longer for the decision of a warring Government, broke out in riots. What took place, is simply preliminary to

more serious outbreaks, if the Government does not handle the situation more carefully. Riots fomented by the police will not appease hungry stomachs. When men are reduced, mad by hunger and helplessness, baton and even bayonet charges will not deter them from crimes. Mr. Hutcheson's proclamation fixing prices will not materially help. There was absolute truth in the words of a vigorous dealer when he told me on Wednesday last, that the Government price would be only slightly cheaper than the prices demanded by the profiteers. In plain English, the whole thing is camouflage. What is really necessary is that the Government should put temporary embargo on the export of rice. It is useless to tell us that this will interfere with the commerce of the port. During the war embargoes were put on the exportation of many articles, thus interfering with trade, but everyone put up with it as a necessary evil. Moreover, the fixing of these prices by the Government without the accompanying embargo, will only enable the Japanese merchants, who are at present the biggest buyers, to buy more and export, thus reducing the stock for local consumption. With reduced stock, prices must of necessity soar. It is useless to ask the rich of Hongkong to subscribe in order to relieve the acute situation. This will be robbing Peter to pay Paul, or in other words, imposing upon the good heartedness of the philanthropically-minded to enrich the export merchants. I am quite sure that, should a restraint be put on the exportation of rice, the Government will be bombarded with protests, but prices will drop. Weak-kneed decisions by the Government will not do now. The rice class of the Colony is able to meet the rice situation somehow at present, owing to the fact that they have much work to do—loading steamers, etc., but as soon as this unprecedented high demand for labour ceases, or if the weather continues bad we are in for unbounded trouble. Let these responsible beware.—Yours, etc.,

POTTER CLAYTON.

BELGIAN RELIEF.

SUBSCRIPTION LIST CLOSES WITH £2,560,876.

[To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."]

Dear Sir—The National Committee for Relief in Belgium announces that it has concluded its efforts and that no further contributions or gifts of clothing should be asked for on its behalf. This decision is taken in

AN EMBEZZLEMENT CHARGE.

A Chinese was produced before Mr. R. E. Lindsell on an information for embezzling a large sum of money from the Yan-Tai Shing and Tsang Kwong Yee firms. Accused pleaded not guilty. Mr. Leo d'Almada prosecuting, said that there were about eight other charges to be added against defendant, and taken altogether the sum which was alleged to have been embezzled would amount to \$5,600. Mr. R. F. Mattingley representing defendant said the latter was an accountant in one of the firms. Mr. d'Almada applying for a remand suggested \$10,000 bail, but Mr. Mattingley contended that it was too much and that \$3,000 would suffice. Hearing was adjourned, defendant being released on \$5,000 bail.

concurrence with Mr. Hoover's announcement that the Commission for Relief in Belgium has also ended its work.

The National Committee for Relief in Belgium was founded April 27th, 1915, and up to May 31st, 1917, collected solely from the British Empire £2,411,222 18s. 2d., or an average of £100,000 per month, which was expended through Mr. Hoover's organisation. On that date the announcement was made that in view of the American loan to Belgium the National Committee temporarily suspended its efforts. £18,372 19s. 11d. has since been received as a result of the original appeal. However, in October, 1918, to meet the urgent distress which immediately followed in the wake of the retreating Germans the National Committee issued an appeal which up to date has resulted in gifts of clothing to the value of £57,000. In addition it received cash subscriptions from Great Britain and the Overseas Dominions to the amount of £74,280 1s. 11d., thus bringing the National Committee into the third place in the list of British War Charities with total receipts from donations of cash and clothing amounting to £2,560,876.

Any Branch Committees holding contributions previously collected but not forwarded, should send them to 3 London Wall Buildings, E.C. 2. They will be distributed among various approved Charities in Belgium, most of which are concerned with child welfare.

Yours, etc.
WILLIAM GOODE.
Hon. Sec.

June 12th, 1919.

MR. WHITE AND COOLIES.

A Chinese coolie was charged before Mr. Lindsell to-day with assaulting Mr. N. White of the Hongkong Hotel.

The complainant stated that he was on his way home in a chair last Saturday at 10 p.m. He was in Conduit Road when two coolies approached his chair and stopped it. He immediately jumped off when the men including his chair-coolies took to their heels and one of the men was arrested.

Sergeant Appleton here interposed that complainant was in an excited condition when he came to the station. He had a revolver in one hand and a Police whistle in the other.

One of the chair-coolies in the box said that complainant had spoken to him in Portuguese. He did not understand. Mr. White: I do not speak Portuguese.

Mr. Lindsell (to witness): Oh, complainant said something you could not understand.

Mr. Lindsell discharged the accused. He did not think the coolies intended anything wrong.

SHIPS IN HARBOUR.

List of vessels in port this morning.

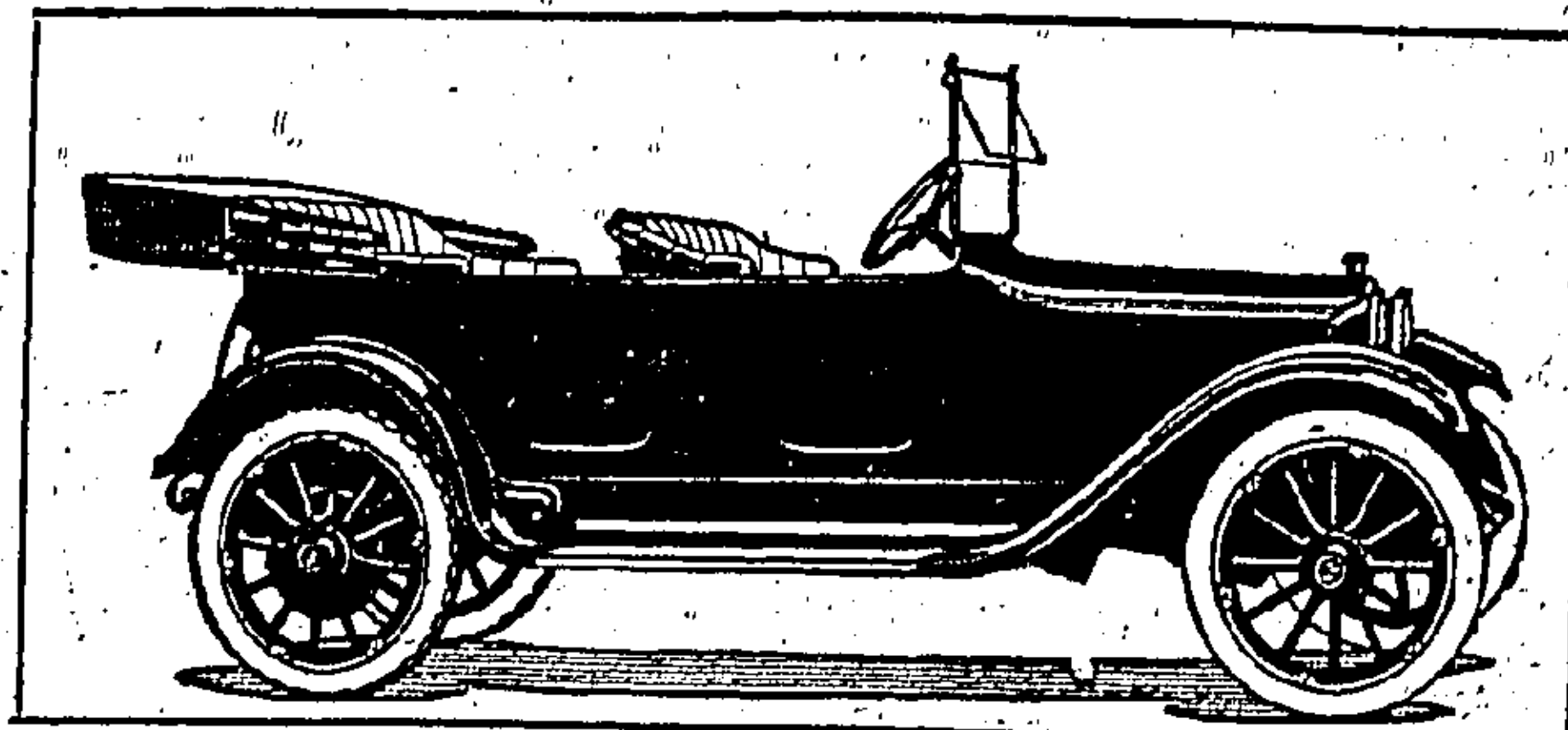
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WE HAVE CONCENTRATED ON ONE CAR AND ONE CAR ONLY, IN A DETERMINATION TO MAKE IT AS GOOD AS A CAR CAN BE MADE FOR EVERY PART AND EVERY PROCESS THAT ENTERS INTO IT WE HAVE PERSONALLY ESTABLISHED A STANDARD, THE WORK DONE AND THE MATERIALS USED IN EACH PART AND EACH PROCESS, IN EVERY CAR, MUST CONFORM TO THAT STANDARD. DODGE BROTHERS WILL ALWAYS GIVE TO THEIR CAR THAT OVER CARE WHICH THE PUBLIC EXPECTS OF THEM

PEOPLE HAVE IMPLICIT FAITH IN THE INTEGRITY OF DODGE BROTHERS' MANUFACTURING METHODS. BECAUSE OF THE NAME IT BEARS, YOU MAY BE SURE THAT THE PRINCIPLE BEHIND THE CAR WILL NEVER BE CHANGED A HAIR'S BREADTH + DODGE BROTHERS HAVE ONLY ONE IDEA IN THE UPBUILDING OF THEIR BUSINESS. THAT IS TO BUILD IT SO SOUNDLY AND SO WELL THAT THE GOODWILL WHICH THEY HAVE WON WILL GROW AND ENDURE FOREVER



ITS STABILITY IS BUT A REFLECTION OF THE INSTITUTION ITSELF.

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